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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and country of citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled A TOW HITCH ARRANGEMENT, the specification of which (check one)

☐ is attached hereto.

☒ was filed on January 14, 2004 as Application Serial No. 10/756,984 and was amended on _____ if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information which is known to me to be material to patentability or to the examination of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119(a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATION(S)

			Priority Claimed		Certified Copy Attached?	
<u>2003900744</u>	<u>Australia</u>	<u>15 January 2003</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of the United States provisional application listed below.

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(U.S. Provisional Application No.)	(Filing Date)

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States application(s), or § 365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States of America, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT international application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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(U.S. Parent Application)	(Parent Filing Date)	(Parent Patent Number (if applicable))

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

POWER OF ATTORNEY: As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorneys to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith and to receive the Letters Patent Document, if issued.

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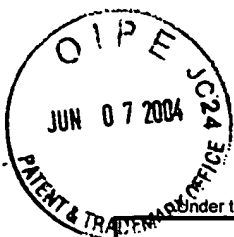
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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Applicant/Patent Owner: Robert Ian Hedley and David Peter White / Justoy Pty Ltd.

Application No./Patent No.: 10/756,984 Filed/Issue Date: 01/14/2004

Entitled: A TOW HITCH ARRANGEMENT

Justoy Pty Ltd., a Australian company
(Name of Assignee) (Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

states that it is:

1. ☒ the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest; or
2. ☐ an assignee of less than the entire right, title and interest.
The extent (by percentage) of its ownership interest is _____ %
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B. ☐ A chain of title from the inventor(s), of the patent application/patent identified above, to the current assignee as shown below:

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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

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Clifford C. Dougherty III
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Attorney for Applicants and Assignee
Title

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 3.73(b). The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, Robert Ian Hedley and David Peter White, New South Wales, Australia, have invented a new and useful TOW HITCH ARRANGEMENT, for which an application for a United States patent entitled A TOW HITCH ARRANGEMENT was filed on January 14, 2004 and assigned Serial No. 10/756,984 (claiming the benefit of Australian provisional patent application no. 2003900744 (filed January 15, 2003)) preparatory to obtaining a United States patent therefor; and

WHEREAS, Justoy Pty Ltd., an Australian company having a business address of 4 Russell Road, Mt. Thorley Via Singleton, New South Wales 2330, Australia, is desirous of acquiring all our right, title and interest in and to said TOW HITCH ARRANGEMENT, in and to said application for United States patent, and in and to any patents that may be granted for said TOW HITCH ARRANGEMENT in the United States and in any and all foreign countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to us in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and other good and valuable consideration, we, Robert Ian Hedley and David Peter White, have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto Justoy Pty Ltd. the entire right, title and interest in and to said TOW HITCH ARRANGEMENT in the United States of America and its territorial possessions and in all foreign countries, the entire right, title and interest to said application for United States patent and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all patents which may be granted for said TOW HITCH ARRANGEMENT in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries and in and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof.

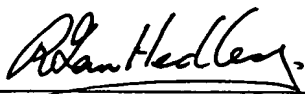
We hereby authorize and request the Patent Office Officials in the United States and in any and all foreign countries to issue any and all of said patents, when granted, to Justoy Pty Ltd., as the assignee of our entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use and enjoyment of Justoy Pty Ltd., its successors and assigns.

FURTHER, we agree that we will communicate to Justoy Pty Ltd., or its representatives, any facts known to us respecting said TOW HITCH ARRANGEMENT, that we will testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers and execute all divisional, continuation, substitution, renewal and reissue applications respecting said TOW HITCH ARRANGEMENT, that we will execute all necessary assignment papers to cause any and all of said patents to be issued to Justoy Pty Ltd., and that we will make all rightful oaths and generally do everything necessary or desirable to aid Justoy Pty Ltd., its successors and assigns in obtaining and enforcing proper protection for said TOW HITCH ARRANGEMENT in the United States and in any and all foreign countries.


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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands on the date set forth below.

Date: 10/5/04


Robert Ian Hedley

Date: 10/5/04


David Peter White